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BARNWELL MAN ARRESTED FOLLOWING SEARCH THAT UNCOVERED GUNS, COCAINE, AND CASH

Columbia, South Carolina – United States Attorney Bill Nettles announced today that Terrence Lamar Wiggins (32) of Barnwell was indicted by a federal grand jury after being arrested on March 28, 2012. Wiggins is charged with conspiring to distribute cocaine (Title 21, United States Code, Section 846), possessing cocaine with the intent to distribute (Title 21, United States Code, Section 841), possessing a firearm in furtherance of drug trafficking (Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)), and being a felon in possession of a firearm (Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c)). He faces a minimum term of at least fifteen years and a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, forfeiture of a variety of assets, and a fine of up to \$20,000,000.

On the day of the arrest, a search of residences in Barnwell, South Carolina, led to the recovery of firearms, cocaine, narcotics paraphernalia, and more than \$634,000 in cash. The

investigation and arrest was handled through the cooperation of the Drug Enforcement Administration, the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, and the Barnwell County Sheriff's Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jay N. Richardson.

The United States Attorney stated that all charges in this Indictment are merely accusations and that all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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